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### Feminine Fancies.

The Queen of Roumania has a mania for music.

Women are often accused of false hoods when they are simply practicing benevolence in speech.

There are more women in Indianapolis who are engaged in business than in any other city in the West.

Women who are the most loved by men are frequently the least liked by their own sex, and with good reason generally.

When Dr. Mary Walker enters a tailor shop all the tailors rush for her, unrolling their tape lines, but they all ask: "Vest?" "Vest?"

There may be women who do not wish to be married, but has there been a woman who could take comfort in the thought that she had never been asked to marry?

Countess Telfener (*nee* Hungerford) of California, and sister of Mrs. Mackay, has left Paris and joined the American colony in Rome, where her husband's palace is one of the "objects of interest."

The best shot in Dakota is said to be a woman, Mrs. Lowner, wife of Colonel Lowner, of Fort Totten. She has killed 114 prairie chickens this fall and the first deer ever brought down from Moose river.

Lady Hesketh, daughter of ex Senator Sharon, was thrown from her horse while hunting in England recently and slightly injured. She and Sir Thomas Hesketh are expected to visit this country next month.

George Sand never wore out a dozen pairs of gloves in her life. Her hands, she felt, were made to be active and not to be mufled up until they became useless. They were small, brown, plump and firm and ended in polished almond shaped nails.

The prettiest women are seldom the most attractive. Those who excite the greatest love are often very plain, even ugly. But when their conquests become known, the conquerors are called beautiful. The majority of men mean by a pretty woman one who is very interesting.

MOTHER MANDELBAUM, after all the furor made over her arrest in Canada, has been acquitted. The extradition laws between the two countries need reformation. There is no earthly reason why Canada should be made a place of convenient refuge for all the embezzlers, defaulters, and polite swindlers who find further residence in this country unpleasant. The crimes of this woman are more far-reaching than those of the burglar or the assassin. So the man who steals the savings of a thousand poor people, like some of the the bank defaulters, inflicts a worse injury upon the community than the highwayman who stops a stage or robs the traveler on the highway, yet the one over the border lives in luxury on the proceeds of his villainy, while the other can find no spot where he can safely lay his head. If we are going to hive extradition, let it by all means include the gentlemanly bank defaulters and the encouragers of crime like this Mandelbaum woman.—S. F. Chronicle.


### Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by A. J. LANGLEY & Co. d&w

### Customs and Legal Blanks

Of every description for sale at *The Colonist* office.


### BUSINESS DEPRESSION ABROAD.

#### European Countries Alarmed at Their Loss of Trade.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—A Times special from London, says: That deep concern is felt all over Europe in the question of finding outlets for manufactures is shown by the cautious processes and many intrigues going on at the Berlin Congo Congress, where more time and trouble has been consumed in parceling out malarial and savage lands, which at best can only furnish meager results, at much cost and at a deferred date, than were given a century ago to the partition of civilized Poland. It is difficult to say thus far who has obtained any advantage over the others, but the present outlook indicates that France, which has been badly snubbed by the prohibition of import duties, and England, which played a tardy and unprofitable part, will be frozen out by the German-Belgian combination. The merchants of Manchester fear this so much that the Chamber of Commerce has passed a resolution urging England to cast her lot with the association, and a deputation is coming to London on Monday for the purpose of pressing the matter on Lord Ganville.

France is suffering, like England from the growth of manufactures in other countries, but with the differences that the farmers who are clamoring there for protection are the wealthiest class in the country; that the suffering is in the large industrial centers, and that trade is in the worst condition among dealers in costly articles of luxury. In Paris the number of stores in the principal streets marked "To let" is fairly startling. There is nothing to compare with it in any other European city, except Dublin. There is a curiously close connection between the stagnation in this class of trade in France and the starvation of the people in the most wretched quarters, where carvers of decorations, taxidermaists and others live at best on pittances.

I was in Belleville on Sunday, where a riot was expected to grow out of an anarchist meeting, but there was fortunately no disturbance, owing to a vast number of police and troops that had been stationed in that quarter and to the fact that the committee were fighting among themselves. The crowds on the streets were extremely good natured and a variety theater directly opposite the hall were the meeting was held was tolerably well filled with people. The beer shops were all doing a rushing business and there were few indications of more than the ordinary amount of misery to be seen in all the large cities. But I was told that there is no doubt that more want exists in Paris this winter that at any other time since the siege; that only the overwhelming superiority of the troops preserved order at this meeting and that not even the troops would prevent serious trouble occurring before spring.

Meanwhile the immense drain upon the country in the costly war with China, which is now to be formally declared, can only aggravate this poverty and peril. At this time, of all others, France needs all her energy and wealth for use at home, in order to hold her place among European nations, instead of squandering them in remote and fruitless adventures, to the prejudice of domestic strength and prosperity. As an evidence that the French intend sternly to push the Chinese war, it is known that the agent of France has bought six of Donald Currier & Co's great iron ships of the Cape Mail line, which are to be overhauled and painted for use as transports for troops. It is said the price was £60,000 each and that the broker's share in the transaction was £10,000. The matter has been kept a secret here so far as possible. It has been rumored that the ships would slip out quickly. One other vessel has also been bought by France, I understand, but the name of the firm which sold this ship is not known to me.

The ceaseless feud between poverty and opulence, between oppressed and oppressor, threatens public safety in more than one other part of Europe. The air is filled with rumors of an impending outbreak of activity on the part of the nihilists in Russia, where scores of suspects have been arrested during the past few weeks. In Ireland the charge that the explosion in Samuel Hussey's house, near Traice, was a contrived scheme, or a "put up job," is now openly made, and the crime laid at the door of "Jim" McDermott of Brooklyn, who is declared to be the agent of the police. A long letter from him, publish in United Ireland, seems fair evidence of the truth of the charge, but whether true or not, the thing tends to foment fresh bitterness, with perhaps more violence.


### Coal Harbor Property.

Having sub-divided my
COAL HARBOR PROPERTY,
I am prepared to sell lots at from $25 upwards.
LAND ALSO BY THE ACRE.
Apply to
HENRY V. EDMONDS,
At ALLSOP & MASONS,
Government street,
* Victoria.


### Women on Horseback.

(De Bussigay's Hand-Book.)

A woman should sit on a horse thus: The head straight, easy turning upon the shoulders in any direction without involving a movement of the body. The eyes fixed straight to the front, looking between the horse's ears, and always the direction in which he is going. The upper part of the body easy, flexible and straight. The lower part of the body firm, without stiffness. The shoulders well back and on the same line. The arms falling naturally. The fore-arm bent. The wrists on a level with the elbows. The reins held in each hand. The fingers firmly closed, facing each other, with the thumbs extended on the ends of the lines. The right foot falling naturally on the pommel of the saddle; the left foot in the stirrup without leaning on it. The part of the right leg between the knee and the hip-joint should be turned on its outer or right side, and should press throughout its length on the saddle. The knees should in their respective positions, be continually in contact, without an exception. The lower or movable part of the leg plays upon the immovable at the knee joint, the exception being when the rider rises to the trot, at which time the upper part of the leg leaves the saddle.


### Excited Thousands

All over the land are going into ecstasy over Dr. King's new Discovery for Consumption. Their unbooked for recovery by the timely use of this great Saving remedy, causes them to go nearly wild in its praise. It is guaranteed to positively cure Severe Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Hay Fever, Bronchitis, Hoarseness, Loss of Voice, or any affection of the Throat and Lungs. Trial bottles free at A. J. Langley & Co.'s drug store. Large size $1.00. 24w

### Oregon Short Line.

FAST FREIGHT AND PASSENGER ROUTE.
B. CAMPBELL, Gen. Agent,
No. 1 Washington st Portland.
R. IRVING, Agent, Victoria. *

AN inspection of the handsomely bound books of the poets, offered by J. B. Ferguson & Co., will repay those wishing an elegant Xmas present.

### WANTED.

WANTED.

AN ACTIVE, INTELLIGENT YOUTH OVER fifteen years of age. Must be thoroughly acquainted with the city.
de29 2t Address "M," this office.

WANTED

SITUATION IN HOTEL BY A YOUNG LADY willing to make herself generally useful.
de17 6t Address "POP," *The Colonist* Office.

WANTED

A COMPETENT WHITE COOK—Address
Mc NICHOLL & SEARS,
de16 1m Kamloops, B.C.

SITUATION WANTED

BY AN ELDERLY WIDOW LADY AS HOUSEkeeper, companion, or to take care of an invalid. Best of references given.
Apply personally or by letter to
MRS. T. ELLIOTT,
de16 2t Panora st, 3 doors to w Vancouver.

WANTED

A FURNISHED ROOM FOR MAN AND WIFE, with privilege of cooking; or two rooms, one of which could be used as a kitchen. Must be within ten minutes of the postoffice. Address "R. M.," this office. d.10

WANTED

APPRENTICE GIRL TO LEARN HAIR WORK at Mrs. Angel's, on Pandora street, opposite Blue Ribbon Hall.
N.B.—First class Switches, Braids and Fibres made from combings or cut hair at low rates. d.9 1m

ROYAL MARKET AND GROCERY,

ESQUIMALT TOWN.

HAVING OPENED A BUTcher Shop on the principal street, Esquimalt, we are prepared to supply

THE ROYAL NAVY, FAMILIES,

AND THE

MERCANTILE MARINE

WITH THE FINEST

BEEF, MUTTON,

Lamb, Pork, &c.,

VEGETABLES AND GROCERIES,

AT THE LOWEST MARKET RATES.

SHIPS PROVISIONED

For Long or Short Voyages, and goods delivered on board without extra charge.

U. NELSON & CO.
de9 1m

BOW YUEN & CO.,

CHINESE DRY GOODS,

OPIUM, TEA AND

GENERAL MERCHANDISE,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

N. E. Corner Government and Cormorant Streets,

mo30 1m VICTORIA, B. C.

MARYFIELD COTTAGE.

A DAY SCHOOL FOR YOUNG LADIES.
oct1 3m MRS. DONALD FRASER, Principal.

### SHIPS AND STEAMERS.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

CARRYING H. M. MAILS AND W. F. & CO.'S EXPRESS AND NORTHERN PACIFIC EXPRESS.

THE PACIFIC COAST STEAMSHIP Co.'s steamer

GEO. W. ELDER,
CAPTAIN ACKLEY,

Will sail from the VICTORIA WHARF, outer harbor, for San Francisco, on

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 26TH, AT NOON.

Intending shippers are requested to make arrangements for freight as early as possible so that room may be reserved for their shipments.

Freight for shipment by her is requested to be on the wharf of the undersigned by 5 o'clock P. M. on Wednesday, 24th Dec.

For Freight and Passage apply to
de24 WELCH, RITHET & CO., Agents.

FOR VICTORIA DIRECT.

AN AI IRON VESSEL WILL BE DESPATCHED from Liverpool about 31st January, 1885. Orders sent by mail as late as the first week in December will be in time for her. Cable orders a month later.
Liverpool Agents, R. C. JANION & CO.
no19 London Agents, H. C. BEETON & CO.

TURNER, BEETON & CO.

HAVE JUST LANDED FROM

ESTRELLA DE CHILE,

SUPPLIES FOR THE

FOLLOWING DEPARTMENTS.

I. C. TIN PLATE,
YSPITTY COKE & CHARCOAL,
PIG IRON, PIG LEAD,
SALMON TWINES,
EARTHENWARE, in Crates, assorted,
GLAZED DRAIN PIPES,
AGRICULTURAL DRAIN PIPES,
BLACK & BLUE PAVING BRICKS
For Dairies and Conservatories.

HALL & SONS' Sporting Powder, Blasting Powder.
ALE. M. B. Foster & Sons, Bass' in case, Edinboro' in barrels.
STOUT. M. B. Foster & Son, Guiness First Choice.
BRANDY. Champagne Vineyard Co., Vintages 1881, 1880, 1876, in barrel and case, Southern Vineyard in case and bulk, Hennessy in case.
IRISH WHISKEY. W. Jameson's 1 and 3 star in case.
SCOTCH " Loch Katrine, Caol Ila.
CANADIAN H. Walker & Son's.
GIN. Beard & Son, Old Tom, Geneva, I de Kuyper & Son, Red and Green Case, Key Brand.
PORT WINE. Cockburn, Smithes & Co., in barrels and hogsheads, extra quality.
SHERRY. William Englebach & Co.
CHAMPAGNE. Deutz & Geldermann, Grammont Fils, extra dry.
MOSELLE. Ch. Kupperberg.
SAUTERNE. G. Prefler & Co.
CLARET. G. Prefler & Co., St. Emillion, Chateau Tolemont.
ORANGE BITTERS, Ginger Brandy.
CURACOA. Maraschino, Noyeau, Chartreuse, &c.
BRITISH WINES R. Bishop & Sons.
GINGER ALE Corry & Co., Belfast, H. Rawlings & Co.
FANCY GROCERIES Goodall, Blackhouse & Co
COCOA & CHOCOLATE J. S. Fry & Sons.
LIME JUICE CORDIAL L. Rose & Sons.

IN STOCK.

A FULL ASSORTMENT OF

Shawls, Blankets, Prints,

ENGLISH AND CANADIAN

COTTONS & SHEETINGS,

AND

GENERAL DRY GOODS.

Agents for
STOREY & CO.'S GLOVES,
Acton, Ontario.
Agents for
GEO. WOSTENHOLME & CO.,
(Limited). SHEFFIELD CUTLERY.
Agents for
DOULTON & CO.,
Lambeth Pottery.
de11 1m


### PUBLIC NOTICE.

WHEREAS JAMES JOHNSON, A SETTLER AT South Cowichan, has been SHOT AT by some person or persons unknown.

Notice is hereby given that a Reward of Two Hundred ($200) Dollars will be paid by the Government for such information as shall lead to the apprehension and conviction of the offender or offenders.

JNO ROBSON,
Provincial Secretary
Provincial Secretary's Office,
Victoria, B.C., 11th Dec., 1884. de12 1m


### FOR SALE—TO LET.

TO LET.

A NICE COTTAGE CONTAINING FIVE ROOMS; water in kitchen; in a nice location, and will be rented cheap. The house is furnished complete for housekeeping and the furniture will be sold cheap. Apply to Mr. POTTINGER, corner North Park and Cook streets. de13

FOR SALE.

A COMPARATIVELY NEW CABINET ORGAN—Apply at MRS. A. CARSON'S,
de6 1m North corner View and Quadra sts.

TO RENT

FOR THE WINTER MONTHS, A NUMBER OF large and well furnished Rooms. Also, two Suites of Rooms, suitable for gentlemen and their wives.

The above rooms will be rented at a very reasonable rate to suitable persons.

For further particulars apply to
MRS. HEAVEN, Revere House,
de11 2w Pandora street, near Quadra.

TO RENT.

A NICELY FURNISHED ROOM, WITH OR without Board.
de7 1m Apply corner Cook and Meares sts.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN.

GOOD EMPTY CASKS SUITABLE FOR PACKing winter apples; also empty packing boxes.
CHARLES GABRIEL & CO.,
no12tf Next to Bell & co's.

TO RENT.

A ROOM IN THE COLONIST BUILDING, WITH Steam Power.
no20 Apply on the premises.

COMOX HOTEL.

THIS HOTEL HAS BEEN ENTIRELY RENOvated and enlarged and is now ready for the reception of guests.

The rooms are well furnished, and a FIRST CLASS TABLE may be relied on.

EXCELLENT SHOOTING for Elk, Deer, Duck and Grouse in the neighborhood.

A first-class Establishment will be maintained.
no30dwlm J. A. CARTHEW, Proprietor.

TO PRINTERS.

HOE SINGLE CYLINDER PRESS FOR SALE

IN PERFECT ORDER—FITTED FOR HAND OR steam. May be seen at work in *The Colonist* Pressrooms. Will be sold VERY LOW.
je21tf Apply at *The Colonist* office.

FOR SALE

1440 ACRES CHOICE DELTA LANDS 3 miles from Ladner's Landing on the trunk wagon road; two other roads running through the premises. Apply to
E. A. WADHAMS
de23tf Ladner's Landing B.C.

ATTENTION!

SAWMILL MEN & CONTRACTORS.

THE UNDERSIGNED OFFER FOR SALE AT A great bargain the complete outfit of a

DOUBLE-CIRCULAR

STEAM SAWMILL,

Has been in use only two months. Capacity, 20 to 25 thousand feet per day. For price and description apply to JOHN HONEYMAN & CO.,
no15 1m Portland, Oregon.

DENTISTRY.

R. B. THOMPSON,

DENTIST,

OFFICE:—Old Masonic Building, over Messrs. Wilson & Co.'s Dry Goods Store, Government Street.

☞ Nitric oxide Gas (Laughing Gas) administered for the Painless Extraction of Teeth.

OFFICE HOURS 9 a.m., 5 p.m. mh26

A. C. WEST,

SURGEON DENTIST.

ALL OPERATIONS PERFORMED IN A SKILful manner. Dental Rooms—Deem's building, Government street. my31 1m

T. J. JONES, L. D. S.,

GRADUATE AND MEMBER OF ROYAL College of Dental Surgeons of Ontario, Moody's Block, corner of Yates and Broad streets.

☞ All Dental Operations performed in a skillfu manner.

Has been 23 years engaged in dental practice.
mh7

ARCHITECTS.

REMOVAL.

JNO. TEAGUE,

ARCHITECT

HAS REMOVED TO OFFICES OVER SHEARS & Page, London House, Government street.
ap9

THOS. TROUNCE

ARCHITECT, ETC.

OFFICE ON KANE STREET, ABOVE DOUGLASS

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS CAREFULL prepared for Public Buildings or Private Residences, and the usual business of an Architect promptly executed. 3m

HARRIS & HARGREAVES,

CIVIL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS,

OFFICE:—At corner of Government and Bastion s (Upstairs.)

Street Lines and Measurements of any Lot in the city given and guaranteed. Designs and Tracings furnished at short notice. mh26 1m


### PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.

COWICHAN DISTRICT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOLlowing Highways, 33 feet in width, are hereby established:—

Commencing at the north-east corner of Section 5, Range III, Somenos District, thence due east along the line between Sections 5 and 6, Range IV, to the main road, and having a width of 16½ feet on each side of said line.

Also, commencing at the north-east corner of Section 5, Range VII., Quamichan District, thence due east, along the line between Sections 5 and 6, Range VII., to the main road, and having a width of 16½ feet on each side of said line.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B. C., 28th Nov., 1884. de5 1m


J. & A. BOSKOWITZ,

JOHNSON ST., NEAR WHARF,

HIGHEST CASH PRICES PAID FOR FURS AND DEER SKINS.

a13 3m

### TENDERS.

NOTICE.

TO CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS

SEALED TENDERS, PROPERLY ENDORSED, will be received by the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to

Noon of Monday, 29th inst.,

For the erection and completion of a

GAOL AT NEW WESTMINSTER

Plans and Specifications can be seen and forms for tender obtained at the office of the undersigned, or at the Government Office, New Westminster.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. S. GORE,
Surveyor-General.
Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B.C., Dec. 13th, 1884. de14

PUBLIC NOTICE.

YALE DISTRICT.

SOUTH THOMPSON RIVER FERRY

SEALED TENDERS, PROPERLY ENDORSED, will be received by the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works, up to noon of WEDNESDAY, 31st December next, for the right of maintaining a Ferry, for a term of five years, across the South Thompson River, at a point near the confluence of the North and South Branches of the Thompson River.

The ferry right to extend from the said confluence of the rivers a distance of two miles up the South Thompson.

Tenders are to state the capacity of the boat proposed to be used, the rent proposed to be paid to the Government, and the rate of toll to be collected for every—

Foot passenger,
Team, with waggon and driver,
Horse and mule,
Loaded animal,
Head of beef cattle,
Sheep, pig or goat,
Hundred pounds weight of freight.

With each tender must be submitted the names of two responsible parties willing to sign a bond for the sum of $500 as security for the faithful carrying out of the contract.

All officers of the Provincial Government, with their animals and freight, to pass free.

W. S. GORE,
Surveyor-General.
Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B.C., 10th Nov., 1884. no14

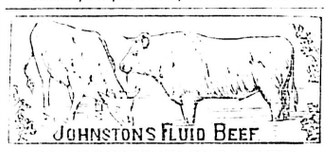
KOOTENAY DISTRICT.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THAT PORtion of a notice published in the BRITISH COLUMBIA GAZETTE, and dated 23rd May, 1883, which more particularly relates to the lands set apart and reserved upon Kootenay Lake and its tributaries, is hereby rescinded, and the said reservation is cancelled.

Three months from the date hereof these lands will be open for pre emption and purchase.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B.C., 10th Dec., 1884. de12 1m




JOHNSON'S FLUID BEEF.

THIS PREPARATION IS RAPIDLY GAINING public favor. The demand now supersedes that of any extract of meat in the market.

THE REASON IS APPARENT.

It is the only preparation of the kind which contains all the nutritious, together with the stimulating properties of beef, and the only one which has the power to supply nourishment for brain, bone and muscle. no16 1y


### PUBLIC NOTICE.

"EXPLOSIVE SUBSTANCES ACT, 1884."

REGULATIONS, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SECtion 2 of the above Act, for the conveyance, storage, &c., of gunpowder and other explosive substances, are published in the British Columbia Gazette of this date, copies of which can be obtained at this office on application.

JNO. ROBSON,
Provincial Secretary.
Provincial Secretary's Office
27th November, 1884. no28 1m


A CARD.

TO THE EDITOR:—I HAVE ESTABLISHED A new industry in Victoria, that of ORNAMENTAL PLASTERING, and am determined to make it success, because the time has come when Victorian homes to be attractive must be made more beautiful. My work took the premiums at the late show. In a few days I shall have specimens of my work in my window and shall invite public inspection.

JOHN COOK,
no23 1m Fort st., bet. Fort and Blanchard.


NOTICE.

REWARD.

WHEREAS SOME PERSON OR PERSONS UNknown did, on or about the month of October last, maliciously injure and destroy the handmillings and other portions of certain Bridges on the Trunk Road between Hope and Popeum.

Notice is therefore hereby given, that a reward of one hundred dollars will be paid for such information as will lead to the apprehension and conviction of the guilty person or persons.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B.C., 26th Nov., 1884. no28 1m


WM. MCGIRR. CAPT. W. R. SPENCE.

McGIRR & SPENCE,

Shipping and Employment Agency,

REAL ESTATE, CONVEYANCING, APPRAISING AND A GENERAL COMMISSION BUSINESS.

SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO SHIPPING Crews and employment of labor. Collections of Rents, etc. OFFICE:—(Upstairs) Standard Building Government street, Victoria. de9 1m

### RAILWAYS.

ESQUIMALT AND NANAIMO R. R.

CONTRACTOR'S OFFICE,
VICTORIA, Sept. 22, 1884.

SCHEDULE OF WAGES

FOR WHITE LABOR ON THE ESQUIMALT AND NANAIMO RAILWAY.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rock Foreman | $3 00 to | $4 00 | per day |
| Earth Foreman | 2 50 | 3 00 | " |
| Bridge Foreman | 3 50 | 4 00 | " |
| Bridge Carpenters | | 3 00 | " |
| Blacksmiths, 1st class | | 3 50 | " |
| Drillers | 2 00 | 2 25 | " |
| Laborers | 1 75 | 2 00 | " |
| Hewers | | 3 00 | " |
| Choppers | 1 75 | 2 00 | " |

All outside labor ten hours per day.

All carpenters to furnish their own chest tools.

All employees find themselves bed, board and lodging.

Boarding Houses will be convenient along the line. Board, $4 per week.

It will not be compulsory for employees to board in the company's houses.

Wages will be paid monthly on the 15th of each month.

GRAHAM & BUSK,
se23tf Contractors.

OFFICE OF THE CONTRACTORS

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY

YALE, March 1st, 1883.

NEW SCHEDULE OF WAGES

FOR WHITE LABOR

—ON THE—

Canadian Pacific Railway

IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

| | |
|---|---|
| Overseers | $125 ⅌ month |
| Rock Foreman | $3 to $4 ⅌ day |
| Earth Foremen | $2 50 to $3 " |
| Bridge Foremen | $3 50 to $4 " |
| Bridge Carpenters (1st class) | $3 50 " |
| do do (2d class) | $3 " |
| Masons | $2 50 to $3 50 " |
| Stonecutters | $3 to $3 50 |
| Blacksmiths (1st class) | $3 50 " |
| do (2d class) | $3 " |
| Drillers | $2 to $2 25 " |
| Laborers | $1 75 to $2 " |
| Hewers | $3 50 " |
| Choppers | $2 to $2 50 " |

All outside labor 10 hours per day.

All carpenters to furnish their own chest tools.

All employés find themselves bed, board nd lodging.

Boarding Houses will be convenient along the line.

Board $5 per week.

It will not be compulsory for employés to board in the Company's houses

Wages will be paid monthly on the 10th of each month.

A. ONDERDONK,
mh7 General Manager.

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TIME TABLE.

ATLANTIC EXPRESS.

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| Leaves Victoria at | 5.00 a.m |
| Arrives at New Tacoma at | 6.00 p.m |
| Arrives at Portland at | 8.45 a.m |
| Leaves Portland at | 11.40 a.m. |
| Arrives at Walla Walla at | 2.03 a.m. |
| Arrives at Helena, Mon., at | 6.30 a.m. |
| Arrives at St. Paul, Minn., at | 12 25 p.m. |

ATLANTIC EMIGRANT TRAIN.

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| Leaves Portland at | 8.25 a.m. |

(Emigrants are carried on Express Trains between Helena and St. Paul.)

PACIFIC EXPRESS.

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| Leaves St. Paul at | 4.05 p.m |
| Leaves Helena at | 8.30 p.m |
| Leaves Walla Walla at | 9.50 p.m |
| Arrives at Portland at | 11.40 a.m |
| Arrives at New Tacoma at | 10.45 p.m |
| Arrives at Victoria at | 3.00 p.m |

PACIFIC EMIGRANT TRAIN.

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| Arrives at Portland at | 4.15 p.m |

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# Daily Colonist.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DEC. 24TH, 1884.



**L. P. FISHER,** Advertising Agent, 21 Merchants Exchange, San Francisco, is authorised to receive advertisements for the columns of this paper.


## $20 REWARD

WILL BE PAID FOR THE ARREST AND conviction of any person who may steal *The Colonist* from the door of a subscriber.

## *PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX.*

Our esteemed morning contemporary in an article which is more than ordinarily stupid (probably the result of frost acting on his somewhat shallow brain) professes to review the addresses of the various candidates for municipal honors. Being the largest owner of tumble-down shanties in Chinatown, from which he squeezes an enormous rental, the public are not surprised to find him opposing any revision of the assessment roll because it will raise the value of his property to a basis of equality with the property of his neighbors who have placed substantial buildings on their land and pay a tax on their improvements. Take Mr. Roderick Finlayson. He has laid out a large sum of money in brick buildings in Chinatown and improved thereby the Standard man's real estate to an extent that has enabled the latter to double the rents of his unfortunate tenants. Mr. Finlayson is taxed on his improvements. The Standard proprietor (who refuses to drive a nail on his property but has benefitted much more than Mr. Finlayson from the latter's improvements) is taxed at the same rate that he was before Mr. Finlayson put up his handsome stores. Is that equitable taxation? An adjustment of inequalities like this is what is meant by an equitable adjustment of the real estate assessment roll in Mr. Rithet's address and in those of the several candidates for the position of councillor. The case we have instanced is only one out of one hundred. W. H. Oliver (an absentee landlord) has a lot on Government street that cost him $4000. He has refused $30,000 for it and pays taxes on a valuation of $3000! Here is another instance: Joseph Brothers (absentee landlords) own more than a block in the heart of the city. They paid from $50 to $100 a lot for their property in 1858. It is now worth about $500,000. They will not sell at all and lease only at high rates. Their municipal taxes last year were only $263. They should have paid into the civic treasury more than $2,500 and at that rate they would have been undertaxed. The Victoria Gas Co. paid only $140 in taxes in 1884. Will our frostbitten contemporary assert that this is equitable taxation? A column might be filled with similar instances to show that large landowners (particularly those in Chinatown) are taxed far below the true value of their property, while the small freeholder is generally taxed to within a third of the true value of what he owns. And now what is the plan proposed by the editor of the Standard (who, we have just shown, pays a ridiculously small tax in comparison with the income he derives from his Chinese tenements) to swell the civic revenue? He suggests that the city shall impose a tax on personal property, so that he and other undertaxed real estate owners shall not be compelled to contribute their fair *quota* towards the revenue. Now, if our good neighbor, who is evidently "under the weather" would consult the municipalities act he would discover that the insertion of such a clause in the addresses as he demands would be an absurdity for the reason that no power is given the city under that act to tax personal property. Had Mr. Rithet and the other candidates for municipal honors placed a clause to that effect in their addresses they would have been laughed at for their pains, besides proving their unfitness for the positions to which they aspire. A tax on personal property is already levied by the province. To extend the power to the city would be to admit the principle of dual taxation—a principle which the country almost unanimously rejected in 1878. Has any one thought what a civic tax on personal property comprehends? It means:

A tax on stocks of goods,
A tax on furniture;
A tax on vehicles;
A tax on horses;
A tax on watches;
A tax on jewelry;
A tax on machinery;
A tax on law books and libraries;
A tax on tools;

In short, a tax on everything that is owned or used in the city. We need scarcely point out how obnoxious a tax of that character would be. Its objectionable features are apparent at a glance. It would be inquisitorial and unequal. The tax-gatherers would enter every household, peer into all rooms and cupboards; stop men on the street to examine and place a value on their watches or finger-rings. And, worse than all, the burthen of supporting the civic government would fall largely on poor men while the proprietors of Chinese tenement property—like Joseph Brothers, W. H. Oliver and the editor of the Standard—would be taxed at the present low valuation. This is a question of so much importance that we shall have occasion to frequently refer to it before the election. In the meanwhile we trust that every candidate who may offer himself will be made to give a solemn pledge that he is in favor of drainage and a revision of the real estate roll, and that under no circumstances will he consent to the imposition of a tax on personal property.

### The Gas Monopoly—A Protest.

TO THE EDITOR:—As a large property-holder in this city I wish to record a protest against your proposition to buy the plant of the gas works. The plant is old and wornout. A modern plant would produce gas at less cost than the present does. Such a plant could be bought new in England, with street pipes and meters, and everything necessary for the production of gas for the supply of 20,000 people for about $75,000—including freight to Victoria and duty. If the gas company will not supply consumers at a reasonable rate they should be charged rent for the privilege of keeping the mains through the streets, and the revenue from that source should be applied to the maintenance of a municipal gas works?

RATEPAYER.

### "Uncivil."

VICTORIA, Dec. 23.

TO THE EDITOR:—Under the head of "Reinstated" in last evening's Post I notice particular attention is paid to the guard who temporarily filled Workman's place, as being particularly uncivil. Sir, the guard in question in refusing admission to the writer of the article in that little sheet was only obeying a strict mandate from his superior officer. JAS. J. MACDONALD.


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## DELAYED DISPATCHES

### EASTERN STATES.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—An explosion in Pratt's astral oil works, in the eastern part of Brooklyn, called out the whole fire department of that city. The first explosion commingled the flames of one tank with the gas of a second tank, and a second explosion followed almost immediately. These two explosions made free 10,000 barrels of oil, and all the flaming mass, "catching on" to the river of melted snow, was carried into every nook and cranny of the works. The result was that all the buildings and tanks, excepting a large brick building, in which canning is done, were destroyed, besides long blocks on the creek. The loss will reach between $500,000 and $600,000. The shock of the two explosions broke the windows of all the houses in the neighborhood.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 21.—At 8 o'clock this morning one of the immense hotels under course of construction outside of the exposition grounds fell with a terrible crash, killing Frank Green, of Nashville, and fatally wounding Albert Freeze and James Carroll. The building was known to be unsafe, and the escape of the large gang of laborers employed in bracing it up, and of others, was miraculous, the heavy timbers falling on all sides of them. The building was 50x100 feet. The financial loss is not known.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—A gang of fifteen laborers are working to-day on the ice-covered ruins of the burned orphan asylum in Brooklyn, searching for bodies. Temporary provision has been made in various Catholic institutions for the care and shelter of the children.

The funeral of the victims will take place to-morrow, and interment will be in the cemetery of the Holy Cross, of Flatbush, Long Island.

About noon, when the workmen almost concluded there were no more bodies buried in the debris, they came upon a group of six more, all of which were burned to a crisp. This makes nineteen bodies recovered.

The Evening Post says: It is now estimated that fully twenty or thirty children perished in the flames. Thus far 100 children are unaccounted for, but are, it is supposed, being cared for in private houses.

### EGYPT.

MILAN, Dec. 21.—A young man named Gervasisi, aged 18, was arrested in the act of placing a bomb under the police station. He confessed that he had been instructed to fire the fuse with a cigar. He is a member of the "Society of the 20th of December," founded to commemorate Oberdank, Austrian anarchist. He refused to give the names of his associates. Ten other men, who had in their possession proclamations glorifying Oberdank, were arrested.

### WASHINGTON TERRITORY.

WALLA WALLA, Dec. 19.—Eugene M Baker, Major of the Second United States Cavalry, died here at 2 p. m yesterday. No hopes of his recovery were felt for several days. The cause of death was general debility. He was brevetted several times during the war for gallant and meritorious services. He was one of the few remaining old-time frontier officers.

SPRAGUE, Dec 21.—While running a freight train at Sprague this morning, about 10 o'clock, Superintendent F. P. Weymouth was thrown from the top of the caboose, striking the iron works on the car, and breaking his jaw, and, it is feared, causing internal injuries. At present he is doing well.

### CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—In the case of the Odd Fellows bank against William C. Ralston, deceased, involving about $200,000, arising out of the settlement of a claim of plaintiffs, Supreme Judge Reardon has ordered an accounting of the estate, together with profits received since the death of William C. Ralston, and in case anything be found due to plaintiffs that its payment be provided for by the sale of Ralston's assets not yet disposed of. Plaintiffs claimed that Sharon had obtained from them an over-issue of stock of the bank of California, paying for the same 50 per cent. and intimating that if the estate showed an excess of 50 per cent of the liabilities, he would make up the difference to plaintiff. Plaintiff now further claimed that the estate was sufficient to pay more than 50 per cent of the liabilities, and brought this suit to recover the difference between what they received and what they allege other creditors received pro rata.

PETALUMA, Dec. 20.—The Golden Eagle flouring mills, belonging to W. C. and Samuel Percival, were destroyed by fire to-day. It is believed the fire was the work of an incendiary. The mill was new, having been completed last August. It has been working to its fullest capacity since its completion, and had orders for a year ahead. The loss is stated to be $40,000; insurance, $20,000.

### THE SOUDAN

CAIRO, Dec 21.—Gen. Wolseley will complete the concentration of his army at Korti the first week in January, and will begin his march through the desert upon Shendy the 7th of January. The distance from Korti to Shendy is 260 miles, and Gen. Wolseley calculated the march will occupy sixteen days, unless he meets with opposition from the enemy on the route. A simultaneous movement will be made from Suakim against Osman Digma, in order to secure from attack the flank of the Nile expedition of Gen. Wolseley. Gen. Stephenson will leave Cairo for Suakim Wednesday, to assume command of the expedition from that place. Maj. Chermaide reports that of the garrison at Suakim, of 1,200 marines and sailors, there are only 1,000 effective men. Fresh troops were not to be sent to Suakim.

### ENGLAND.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Interest in the Nicaraguan canal project is abating. The Spectator says that if the statesmen of the United States would legislate against dynamite a compromise would be easy. Vanity Fair says it sees "nothing that England ought to object to in the Nicaraguan treaty. The English treaty with Nicacagua, which was concluded by Lord John Russell in 1860, secures to England the highest privileges enjoyed even by Nicaragua. If the people of England knew the disgraceful history of the Bulwer-Clayton treaty they would decree that it be consigned to eternal oblivion."

LONDON, Dec. 21.—On the fire in the parcel office of the Windsor railroad station being extinguished, brass clock wheels of American manufacture and a bottle containing an explosive were found among the ruins.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 20.—Inquiry has been begun by the American Consul into the case of Second Mate William Rusher and Boatswain Frederick Koehlpin, of the American ship J. T. Chapman, from San Francisco, on a charge of murdering a Russian seaman named A. Janzen. The officers tied the man up by his arms to the forerigging. He was left in this position for some time, and then found dead. Thirteen of the crew were witnesses of the outrage. The case was adjourned.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—The dispatch announcing that Germany had annexed a part of the coast of New Guinea and some adjacent islands is a mistake. No such annexation has been made.

### AUSTRIA.

VIENNA, Dec. 22.—Block & Co., bankers, have suspended on account of the Lower Austrian bank. Liabilities, $100,000,000.

Jauner, the defaulter, was a brother of the director of the King theater, which was burned some years ago. On his body was found one of Kuffler's visiting cards, on the back of which was penciled, in Kuffler's handwriting, the words, "Overhaul the bank." A search disclosed bundles which at first appeared to be notes, but were really blotting paper. Kuffler is a Hungarian of doubtful origin. He has successively appeared as a spirit agent, commercial speculator and finally a daring Bourse operator. He has been a money-lender to nobility, and has ruined a former attache of Prince Berghe's, fleecing him of 2,000,000 florins. He also ruined Baron Victor Erlanger, and was a creditor of the recently bankrupt Weinricht to the amount of 800,000 florins. Other persons have also been fleeced. Kuffler persuaded Jauner to advance the money of the bank at usurious interest, both sharing in the profits. The bank is recovering from the effects of the defalcation, and confidence is reviving. Jauner was seemingly a very religious man. He leaves a widow and six children. His wife was one of the most celebrated beauties of Vienna. The tragic end of Jauner evokes great compassion.


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Tenders must state the name and quality of the Coal proposed to be supplied, and the price per ton of 2,000 lbs., and the price per cord of Dry Fine Wood cut in 12 inch lengths, to be delivered promptly in such quantities and at such times as may be ordered.

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W. S. GORE, Surveyor General.

Lands & Works Department, Victoria, B.C., 23d Dec., 1884. de24

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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, 22nd December, 1884.

HIS HONOR THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR in Council, under the authority of Section 17 of the "Judicature Act, 1879," has been pleased to make the following "Rules of Court," viz:—

(1.) That a Vacation of the Supreme Court be appointed, commencing on the 24th December instant and terminating on the 6th day of January, 1885.

(2.) That during such vacation no cause shall be tried except by leave of a Judge previously obtained on summons.

(3.) That the time of such vacation shall not be reckoned in the computation of the times appointed or allowed by the "Rules of Court, 1880," for filing, amending or delivering any pleading, unless by special leave obtained from a Judge upon summons.

(4.) That any pleading delivered in such vacation, unless by previous order of a Judge obtained on summons, shall be deemed to have been delivered on the day following the end of such vacation.

By Command.

JNO. ROBSON, Provincial Secretary.

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S. PERRY MILLS, Solicitor for Applicants.

Dated the 18th Dec., 1884. de21

NOTICE.

ALL ACCOUNTS AGAINST THE CORPORATION of the City of Victoria for the current year must be sent in on or before 4 o'clock p. m. on the 24th instant, or they will be disallowed.

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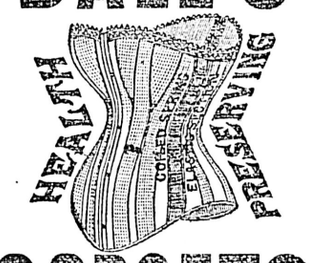


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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, 18th December, 1884.

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JNO. ROBSON, Provincial Secretary.

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WE BEG TO INTIMATE

TO OUR CUSTOMERS THAT, HAVING MADE arrangements to retire from business on the 31st of this month, all accounts must be settled on or before that date.

BURNS & CO.

Victoria, B.C., 5th Dec., 1884. dec6

# Daily Colonist.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, DEC. 24TH, 1884


## SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

### PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED

Dec. 23—Str Idaho, Nanaimo
Str North Pacific, Pt Townsend
Sch Anna Beck, Nanaimo
Str Amelia, Nanaimo

CLEARED.

Dec. 23—Sch Granger, Pt Townsend
Str Idaho, Pt Townsend
Str North Pacific, Pt Townsend
Sch Thornton, Nanaimo
Sch Anna Beck, Nanaimo
Sch Bonanza, Nanaimo
Str Amelia, Nanaimo

### PASSENGERS.

Per str NORTH PACIFIC from Puget Sound—Miss May Wilson, W Ellis, S Williams, W Sage, King, R Glidden, Mrs Alger and 2 ch, W H Pointer, J Todd, C Buckland, E B Smith, J E Davis, Mrs D Hopkins, M M Teigh, H A Atkins.

Per str AMELIA, from Nanaimo—Scofield, Gerke E Ryan, Davis, H B Smith, J Remer, Bell, Williams, Rosman, Ord, S Cliffe, Father Donkele, Miss Bramly, Miss Hurd, Mrs Capt Irving, 3 Sisters of St Ann, Mrs Almas, Langley, Minguay, Capt Revely, Hall, Ward, Jones, Severne, Gorpel, Brown, Bittancourt, Steele, Rev Wood, Hoskin, Gray, Busk, Newbiggan, Hanson, Sutherland, Beck, Blair, Price, Hamilton, McCarty, Leask, Shannon, English, Stephenson, King, Catlin, Whittington, Lemore, Evans, Kelly, Dixon, Muller, J Wilson, Pawers, Collins, Mackintosh, sr, Mackintosh, jr, Henderson, Cryss, H McKenzie, Murphy, French, Miss L White, Mrs Todd, J Troup and 58 others.

### DEATHS.

In this city, at 1:30 a. m., Dec. 22nd, Leopold Lowenberg, a native of Potsdam, Prussia, aged 66 years.

The funeral will take place from the residence, Rae street, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th instant, at 2, and from the Reformed Episcopal Church at 2:30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend.

On the 22nd inst., after a long and painful illness, Jane Stewart, a native of Cockenzie, Haddingtonshire, Scotland, aged 59 years.

The funeral will take place from the residence of her son-in-law, A. D. Strachan, James Bay, THIS DAY (Wednesday) at 1:30 p. m.

At Victoria, on the 23rd instant, Harvey Wray Molyneux, infant son of Harvey and Maggie Combe.

In this city, on the 23rd inst., John Smith, a native of Guernsey, Channel Islands, aged 56 years.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, Collinson street, on FRIDAY, 26th Dec., at 1:30 p.m., and from St. John's Church at 2 p. m. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend.

### AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

G. BYRNES will sell at 11 o'clock, at salesrooms, Fancy Goods suitable for Christmas Presents.

### Alaska News by the Idaho.

The miners have gone into winter quarters at Juneau, and everything is very dull there, the only work going on being the building of the 120 stamp quartz mill on Douglass Island, which is progressing as far as the weather will permit. Mr. George E. Pilz has succeeded in getting another victim; this time it is Mr. Lillian whom he led to believe that he had some very valuable mining property at Juneau. He sold to Mr. Lillian some 50 locations, and Mr. Lillian arrived here on the steamer with a five stamp mill, only to find that he had been swindled by this bilk Pilz, who does not own any of the property he sold and deeded to Lillian.

There are about 30 miners fitting out for the Yukon, for which point they intend to start in early spring.

In Sitka there is a great deal of disatisfaction expressed at the way the judge deals out the law. They say his principal business in Alaska is looking after marble and quartz mines. He has succeeded with several and is trying very hard "to get in" on some more. There is a petition in circulation here, which is being quite extensively signed for his removal. The way the law has been administered at Sitka since the establishment of the civil government is a perfect farce and too much like boys' play. Alaska requires as its judge a man of some experience and a good lawyer and not a boy.

Mr. Bready, the commissioner at Sitka, has not been in his office since his appointment, and the governor and commissioner at Fort Wrangle are both out of the territory and have gone to Washington to look after some fat jobs under the new administration.

The Indians on Kan Island got drunk on a drink called koolymhoo—which they make out of molasses, and had a fight and killed a woman. This happened about five weeks ago, and up to the present time there has been no action taken in the matter. Criminals were looked after much closer when the navy had charge of the territory.

The weather has been clear and cold for the last three weeks, with strong gales from the north-east.

### The Colonist Annual.

The annual will be distributed to-morrow with the daily issue of this journal, free to subscribers. It contains a calendar, a large number of art illustrations, local advertisements, and an article descriptive of the progress of Town and Country. An edition of 4,500 copies has been struck off, and copies may be had at this office on and after to-morrow.

### Personal.

Rev. Father Lemmens, of this diocese, has gone to Holland.

Bishop Cridge has nearly recovered from his recent severe attack.

Mr. W. H. Bond, deputy collector of customs for Alaska, passed down on the Idaho yesterday.

Father Donkele and three Sisters of St. Ann were passengers by the Amelia yesterday.

Capt. Revely, Mr. Lenevue and Mr. Busk are in town.

Councillor Boyd is reported to be very ill.

Mr. J. Atkinson, of New Westminster, went up by the Louise yesterday morning.

Mr. McColl, of New Westminster, was a passenger by the Louise yesterday.

Mr. Justice Gray has gone to England.

### Special Notice.

To-day we will sell the balance of our Fancy Glass, Majolica and Earthenware Ornamenta, etc., imported specially for the Christmas trade AT COST!!

SHEARS & PAGE,
1t London House.

### For Holiday Presents

Go to the B. C. Boot and Shoe Store, Government street. H. MANSELL. *

R. E. CHURCH.—Rev. Bishop Cridge will officiate to-morrow and deliver a pastoral address. The Christmas sermon will be preached by Rev. Mr. Allen, of New Westminster.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.—The steamer Princess Louise took the Yosemite's place yesterday. This vessel has been thoroughly put in order for the winter season, she being better adapted for the season than the Yosemite.

HIBBEN & CO.'S is the place to get your Photo Albums. *

LADIES' Hand Bags at Hibben & Co.'s*

POLICE COURT.—Police Magistrate Johnson sat for the first time yesterday morning and committed for trial George Hughes, a notorious "vag.," for robbing a Chinaman.

### What Some People Say.

That ratepayers should take notice that unless all their rates and taxes are paid before the close of the year they will not be entitled to vote at the forthcoming election. *

That the cloven-foot of the opposition to Mr. Rithet sticks right out. They want to tax personal property, which is already taxed by the province. Dual taxation!

That 21,000 houses were built in London last year.

That there is a nice assortment of Xmas presents at H. Short's. *

That the new American Episcopal church in Paris cost $500,000.

That one of the latest things in Paris is to celebrate a divorce by a grand dinner or ball.

That in Berlin stations are being established for letting out umbrellas—a most useful idea.

That a deceased Frenchman has left $5,000 to be given to the wounded in the next war with Germany.

That the Russian platinum mines in the Ural mountains are said to be the most valuable mines in the world.

That the Lord Mayor of London is a Methodist lay preacher, and recently delivered a sermon at the opening of a Methodist church.

That JOS. SOMMERS has an endless variety of Picture Frames, Mouldings and Pictures. *

That the finest assortment of goods suitable for Christmas Presents and New Year's Gifts can be seen at JOSEPH SOMMERS', Government street. *

That more than 6,000 people were turned out of doors in Ireland for non-payment of rent during the quarter ending September 30th.

That hundreds of people are said to be actually starving in the North of England, with many thousands more hungry and destitute.

That it is said that 22 per cent. of the violent deaths in Ireland are caused by burns or scalds, due to the open peat fires on the floors of cabins.

That Stoke Park, with the churchyard immortalized by Gray's elegy, could not find a purchaser the other day, and was bought in at $500,000.

That the jar of heavy freight trains rushing through the tunnel under Heidelberg Castle is gradually racking that interesting structure to pieces.

That we have just received a fine lot of Pictures in gilt frames which are very cheap. M. W. Waitt & Co. 6t

That there was a difference of eighteen between the vote cast for Baralto (Dem.) and for Andrews (Rep.), for Judge of the court of appeals in New York, out of a total vote of 1,600,000.

That the present Emperor of Russia, in his earlier days, was noted for his feats of strength, and is still one of the strongest men in his empire of giants.

That a larger variety of beautiful and instructive juvenile and attractive toy books is to be found at T. N. HIBBEN & Co.'s than in any other store north of San Francisco. *

That you can obtain at T. N. HIBBEN & Co.'s everything that is to be had in any similar establishment, and a good many articles that they cannot get anywhere else. *

That since 1870 the acreage of crops in the British Kingdom has decreased almost two million acres. English agriculture is thus shown to be far from prosperous.

That the exports and imports of Italy fell off $20,000,000 and those of Spain about $5,000,000 during the cholera quarantine. The loss to internal business in both countries is very great.

THAT FINE OLD BURTON AND EDINBURGH ALES IS ON DRAUGHT AT THE OCCIDENTAL.

THAT THE XMAS CARDS DISPLAYED BY J. B. FERGUSON & CO. ARE ALL THIS YEAR'S DESIGNS.

That the Prince of Naples, King Humbert's heir, a lad of 15, is weak in mind and body. His parents are first cousins. His greatest accomplishment is talking English, which he learned from English nurses and governesses.

That thousands of paupers are now being shipped from Naples and Genoa to South American ports, where they are left a burden on the local authorities. The latter have decided to adopt the New York plan and compel vessels to take them back.

THAT CRITICS PRONOUNCE FERGUSON & CO.'S XMAS CARDS THE MOST UNIQUE THEY HAVE SEEN.

That HALL the stationer at New Westminster is ready to supply promptly any newspaper and magazine published on this continent or in United Kingdom. His book store is well supplied with choice selections from the works of ancient and modern writers. Books imported direct from the publishers at their prices. New Year's cards from London at manufacturers prices. tf*

That the late Duke of Buccleuh owned 458,108 acres of land, which was distributed in six counties of England and seven counties of Scotland. His annual income from this land was nearly $2,000,000. His income from other sources was $50,000 a year.

As an example of their stoicism, it is said that during a fight with troops in the west an Indian woman concealed her little girl in a barrel, telling her to remain perfectly quiet, whatever happened. After the battle the child was found with her arm shattered by a minie ball, but she had uttered no sound.

THAT YOU SHOULD SEE THE CANADIAN SCENERY ON XMAS CARDS AT FERGUSON'S.

WINTER SCENES IN XMAS CARDS AT FERGUSON'S.

That it is an acknowledged fact, the finest Wines, Brandies and Scotch Whiskies at Boyd's. *

That the Seattle amateur theatrical society is going to give the "Pirates of Penzance" on December 26th.

That New York is enjoying a mild winter. A Hudson river steamboat captain writes that the river will be open for navigation till January 1st and will probably break up again in March.

### Queen Chop House.

Mr. John Brink will have the most delicious *menu* at his place on Xmas day for dinner. Prices as usual. Everybody invited. Dinner from 2 o'clock until 8 in the evening owing to the large number of engagements having already been made. *

LEAP YEAR DANCE—At Pavilion Skating Rink Wednesday evening, Dec. 31st, 1884.—Gentlemen holding Invitations for the above dance can secure tickets at Frank Campbell's and at T. N. Hibben's. The ladies are not giving the dance; but will take the floor till 12 o'clock. Tickets $1.50. Not transferrable. *

J. B. FERGUSON & Co. have the largest and best assortment of Photograph Albums in the city. *

### CHRISTMAS GOODS.

#### Lovely Displays of Holiday Goods.

Although the extreme cold is certainly novel to Victorians, yet there is a briskness and activity about business, a brightness and charm about the weather, that makes this Christmas more in keeping with what it is generally pictured by our Christmas cards and paintings. What Christmas festive scene would be natural without the white mantle of snow, the glimmering lights and the fur equipped sleighs. Government street yesterday was a pretty and novel picture, for the bitter wind of Monday was absent, the snow had been packed hard and the sleighing was truly enjoyable. Every vehicle that could be turned into a sleigh was pressed into service, and flying merrily around were handsome equipages, buggy boxes placed on runners, packing-boxes converted into short box sleighs, while there were some that would puzzle to describe. During the whole of the afternoon and evening the streets and stores were thronged with our people purchasing the Christmas presents that make this season such a happy one, especially to the juvenile and youthful portion. There was never such a lovely and varied assortment to choose from; in fact, it was difficult in the abundance of pretty things to decide.

The jewelry and stationery stores were never so resplendent with such a magnificent stock of goods of the most elegant descriptions. Among the many we mention a few:

CHAS. E. REDFERN'S

jewelery establishment was filled with the finest of jewelry, watches and gold and silver goods generally, many of his own manufacture. The taste that could not be pleased would fail to get satisfied anywhere.

MESSRS. LANGE AND SON'S

jewelry store was also replete with every description of jewelry and holiday goods, the windows being ablaze with beauty. Among the hundreds of articles were a number of handsome clocks of unique mechanism.

MESSRS. T. N. HIBBEN & CO.'S

stationery store was thronged yesterday afternoon with purchasers, viewing the handsome articles in fancy goods and stationery on sale. There was such a rush that it was almost impossible to move around.

MESSRS. M. W. WAITT & CO.

have a very handsome stock of fancy goods, including the unrivalled Prang's cards. Yesterday this firm opened a consignment of goods imported direct from Vienna. Among them are some ladies dressing cases and work boxes, gotten up in the most lovely shaded silk plush, and elegantly fitted on the inside.

MESSRS. J. B. FERGUSON & CO.

have one of the choicest stocks ever imported to the city. The display of photo albums in this firm's windows are the loveliest that we have ever seen, while their fancy goods are of a chaste and elegant description. This firm have a line of English Christmas cards made from mother of pearl into designs of crosses, anchors, etc., with appropriate mottoes, making perhaps the prettiest and most artistic card that has been brought out. Some beautiful designs of Parsian work are also among the goods, mounted in silk plush.

H. MORTON'S

display of stationery, fancy goods and Christmas cards is an exceedingly choice one, and his store is a pretty sight.

THE JAPANESE BAZAAR

is brilliant and gay with its unlimited assortment of Japanese goods, some of them unique and fanciful in the extreme, and all making pretty presents for the holidays. The two stores were crowded yesterday afternoon and evening with purchasers of the lovely goods on sale. Messrs. Gabriel & Co. are evidently reaping a rich harvest for their enterprise in bringing such a large stock of these handsome goods to the city.

D. SPENCER'S

window is, as the young girl graduates would say, "just the sweetest thing to look at" that we have seen. One window is decorated to represent a room with a fire-grate, through which Santa Claus has come and strewn the loveliest of presents, among them many dolls, one of which is in a full dress satin costume. The other window is also filled with pretty goods, the two making a most attractive display. Mr. Piercy, who arranged the windows, deserves credit for his excellent taste.

HUTCHESON, YOUNG & CO.

make an excellent display of laces and fancy dry goods, and the windows are well dressed and present a handsome appearance.

MESSRS. SHEARS & PAGE

have also a splendid display of goods in their main store and in the branch house. Their goods are among choicest and best on exhibition.

WM. DENNY'S

show of dry goods, laces, mantles, etc., is among the handsomest of the season, and calls for much admiration. The display is a substantial and practical one, and no doubt will meet with the approval of the ladies.

MESSRS. W. & J. WILSON'S

windows look very inviting with the stock of clothing, gents' furnishings, etc., and the handsome goods are one of the best displays of the kind on the coast.

THE QUEEN'S MARKET.

For a display of beef (without a roast of which for Christmas dinner it would be incomplete) Messrs. Goodacre & Dooley carry off the palm this year. They have on exhibition a magnificent lot of beef, mutton, pork, turkeys, geese, ducks, etc. These are tastefully decorated with rosettes, flags, mottoes and fancily worked fat, and make the most tempting and satisfactory exhibit on the street.

MESSRS. VAN VOLKENBURG & CO.

as usual have a splendid display of beef and other meats, artistically cut and arranged, their display being a very substantial one and one that makes the heart of the hungry man glad.

MESSRS U. NELSON AND CO.

Have also a splendid exhibit of all kinds of meats, there being some specially fine beef among the choice assortment. This firm's display at their branch at Esquimalt is also a very good one.

The south side of Fort street was a well-lighted and attractive place last night and the display of goods attractive.

MR. JOHN WEILER'S

Stock of china, crockery and glassware is a very large and handsome one. Every description of china and glass goods is there in endless variety, useful and ornamental. In particular we noticed some lovely china sets, a recent importation.

MR. W. J. TIPPIN'S

Display of confectionery was a very tempting and attractive one, sufficient to supply everybody. In the window is a miniature of the Gorge bridge, with a team crossing it and a stern-wheel steamer passing underneath, while the C. P. R. train is just arriving at the terminal station.

MR. H. WALLER'S

Display of confectionery and fruits is also extensive and choice, and he has in stock a fine assortment of goods.

MESSRS. FELL AND CO.'S

Window is a very attractive one, there being a very fine lot of groceries, fruit, etc., tastily arranged, interspersed with flags and ornaments.

MR. HENRY SAUNDERS'

Store, on Johnson street, is, as usual at this time of year, filled with a splendid stock of Christmas groceries, fruits, liquors, etc., being one of the largest and best assortments of goods in the city.

MR. F. BAUMANN,

Yates street, has a a very fine stock of candies on sale, all of his own manufacture and very choice in quality.

Taken altogether, the display of fancy and useful goods this year will far exceed in extent and variety any that we have ever before seen. There is sufficient variety in all lines to satisfy any taste, and the displays must be gratifying to merchants and very satisfactory to the purchasers.

### FIRE AT JAMES BAY.

#### Escape from a Horrible Death.

While Mr. J. Trainer and a young lady were passing along Michigan street, James Bay, between ten and eleven last night, they were startled by a sudden flash of light, and immediately saw flames issuing from the house of E. Brophy, a harness maker, near that of Mr. Dunsmuir's. Rushing over to the house, Mr. Trainer tried to effect an entrance by the door, but found that a bed was placed against it. Breaking a window, smoke burst from the room, almost suffocating him. Getting inside, however, he heard cries from the children, who had evidently been awakened by the breaking glass. Going to them he carried them to the outside, other neighbors having been called in the meantime, and the back door opened. Brophy and his wife were lying on another bed in a beastly state of drunkenness, and was with difficulty that they could be got out of the house. This accomplished, however, the woman started singing a song and telling the spectators that it was her husband's fault. Efforts had been made to extinguish the flames, which were burning fiercely at the side of the house, and the fire was finally put out with pails of water. The fire was caused by a burning lamp being placed next to the wall paper, and thus igniting it burned through the side, and luckily burst out just as Mr. Trainer was passing. When brought out the children could not speak, and had they and their parents been under the influence of the dense smoke for five minutes longer the consequences must certainly have been fatal. Those who were present describe the interior of the house as most wretched; the few tea things still remained on a little table, while man and wife were lying across the bed in a stupor with their clothes still on. The children were taken to a neighbor's house, where the poor little creatures, four or five years old, were taken care of. The police were then communicated with, and Brophy and his wife taken to the jail for safe-keeping. Neither seemed to realize their terrible position, for certainly had the fire gained a little more headway, they must have perished in smoke and flames.

### The Snow Blockade.

The latest news from Oregon confirms the supposition that the railway blockade is the most serious one experienced in many years. On the O. R. & N. line there is a space of about forty miles in which the track is covered with snow from five to ten feet on the level, and in the cuts it is from ten to forty feet deep. Five hundred men, twenty-four engines and three snow plows were on Sunday and Monday engaged in an attempt to raise the blockade. Five hundred more men were to be sent. The Portland News of Monday says that seventy passengers were blockaded at Ventto. They had telegraphic communication, and assured their friends that they were as comfortable as could be expected under the circumstances. Food was brought them on sleds by eight men from Hood's river so that there was no danger of a shortage. There was plenty of wood near the train, and as the brakemen are provided with axes they will not suffer from cold. On the Oregon & California line there has only been one day's stoppage. Walla Walla has received no mail from the west since Dec. 15th, but they have eastern mails to a much later date. Telegraph wires in every direction are still in a deplorable condition.

### To Love is Sweet; to be Loved Sublime.

To accomplish both you should procure some lovely articles from our establishment for the cherrished one; and we will guarantee the Effect as well as the Goods. LANGE & SON. *

A GOOD, SUITABLE CHRISTMAS PRESENT should consist of something pleasing to both eye and ear. A musical instrument of some sort would not only gladden the heart on Xmas day, but would be an incentive to cultivate the divine art, the most pleasing of all accomplishments. BAGNALL & Co. have a large and well selected assortment of musical instruments suitable for presents to both old and young, rich and poor, varying in price from a "bit" to hundreds of dollars. Instruments producing the sweetest and most dulcet tones to an E-flat bombardon which would make Rome howl. Instruments sold on monthly payments. *

"THOLOGRAPHED."—This is title of a new steel engraving we have seen in the establishment of J. B. Ferguson & Co. It is a magnificent work of art, worthy a place among the best. *

THE celebrated Russell property which adjoins the Railway Syndicate's lands on False Creek is now for sale by Rand & Lipsett, real estate brokers, Victoria, B. C. *

STUCK IN THE SNOW.—A telegram from Mr. Van Horne to Mr. A. W. Ross, M. P., dated Montreal, 22d, states that Messrs. Hamilton and Beatty are stuck in the snow at Wallula, W. T.

THE COLD.—The thermometer which fell to 12 above zero on Monday night, rose to 14 last night with a clouded sky. Sleighing is magnificent.

JUST the thing for a Christmas present—A fine engraving or portrait in a handsome frame. JOS. SOMMERS, Government street. *

THE superintendent of provincial police will go to Cowichan to-day to search for the man who shot at a settler a few days ago.

GOLD PENS and Pencil Cases at Hibben & Co.'s. *

POCKET DIARIES for Christmas Presents at Hibben's. *

J. B. FERGUSON & Co. have just received a large assortment of Christmas and New Year cards, the finest we have seen. *

### Scientific Miscellany.

THE THEORY OF VACCINATION.

Prof. Tyndall suggests that, just as the soil may be so effectually robbed by some essential ingredient by one abundant crop as to be incapable of producing another, so in the human system a parasitic disease may so completely exhaust the blood of some ingredient necessary to the growth and propagation of the parasite that the production of a second crop in fatal or considerable quantity may be impossible. It would thus appear that protective vaccination or inoculation is simply the introduction into the blood of weakened and comparatively harmless disease germs to consume the material which might become food for similar germs in a more vigorous and dangerous condition.

WIND WORK.

A gale at East St. Louis, in 1871, according to Mr. C. Shaler Smith, overturned a locomotive, exerting a force of no less than 93 pounds per square foot. At St. Charles a jail was destroyed in 1877, the pressure required being 84 pounds per square foot. At Marshfield, in 1880, a brick mansion was leveled, the force necessary being 58 pounds per square foot. Below these extraordinary pressures Mr. Smith has instanced numerous cases of trains blown off rails, and bridges, etc., blown down by gales of 24 to 31 pounds per square foot.

Successful experiments in distributing the electric light to great distances have been made in connection with the Turin Electrical Exhibition. A Siemen's machine of 30 horse power generated a current which was simultaneously used by several electric light systems spread over a circuit of about twenty five miles.

A motor, driven by small charges of gun cotton, is an English novelty. It is said to be applicable wherever small powers are required.

A German botanist has given instances of the modification of plants by insects so as to produce new varieties.

GREAT WORKS.

According to Mr. F. E. Beddard, a London zoologist, earthworms two feet in length have been found in the British Isles, and various species as large or larger are known to exist in South America, Western Africa, Australia and New Zealand. The largest species known, however, inhabit South Africa. Forty years ago a specimen was described which measured six feet two inches in length, but it seems to have been nearly forgotten until the other day, when a gigantic creature of the same species was sent to the London Zoological Gardens from Cape Colony. The longest measurement of this worm yet taken reaches six feet five inches, its diameter being nearly half an inch.

MONEY VEGETATION.

A short time since, Paul Reinsch discovered several kinds of minute plants—including two *algæ*, which had before been unknown—growing upon coins after having been long enough in circulation to receive thin incrustations of organic matter. A Hungarian botanist, Jules Schaarschmidt, has more recently found the microscopic growths upon paper money, even the cleanest specimens not being free from them. He has detected seven species, including, although they are rare, the two new *algæ* described by Reinsch.

PICTURES OF SOUND.

Some remarkable photographs of a pistol-bullet in its flight, under the illumination of an electric spark, have been secured by Prof. E. Mach, of Prague. He has also photographed the air streams, which one may see over a Bunsen burner placed in sunshine; and has even obtained pictures of waves of sound, these last being made visible by a method in which advantage is taken of the irregular refraction of light by air set in vibration by sound.

A French astronomer has found reasons for believing that a circular protuberance, presumably a volcano, which exists in the southern hemisphere of Venus has an elevation of not less than seventy miles. He regards such a vast mountain as not incompatible with the planet's volcanic nature.

### Marine.

Steamship Barnard Castle arrived at San Francisco on the 19th.

Steamer Idaho, Captain Carroll, from Alaska, called at the outer wharf yesterday morning, and, after discharging passengers for Victoria, proceeded on to Portland.

### Holiday Goods.

An elegant assortment of Plush and Fancy Goods just received at

M. W. WAITT & CO.'S
* Book and Stationery Store.

KAMLOOPS MAIL ROBBERY.—John Jarvis, who came down from the mainland on Saturday, was arrested on Monday on suspicion of having been the robber of the Kamloops mail. He was examined yesterday and remanded for eight days, to await further developments in the matter. The prisoner is repectably connected in Montreal.

THE choicest and most extensive stock in Watches, Fancy Clocks, Diamond goods, Gold and Silver Jewelry and Electroplated ware has just been opened by us for the holidays. They will be sold low. We extend a cordial invitation to the public to inspect these really beautiful goods which are beyond praise. LANGE & SON. 3dp

THE LANGRISHE COMPANY will reopen this evening with "Matrimonial Oddities" and "The Silent Woman." The pieces are replete with humor and those who go will be sure to be amused. On Christmas evening a great bill of three pieces will be given.

TOY BOOKS.—Among the lovely designs of toy books this season those on sale by J. B. Ferguson & Co. are the finest we have seen, just the thing to make the children happy on Christmas morning. *

LADIES' AND GENTS' FANCY SLIPPERS, in great variety, at the B. C. Boot and Shoe Store, Government street.

* H. MANSELL.

THE funeral of Mr. Lowenberg will take place to-day from the late residence at 2 o'clock and from the Reformed Episcopal Church at 2:30 o'clock.

ROLLING STOCK.—Steamer Beda, with two locomotives and one passenger coach for the C. P. R. arrived at Port Moody last evening.

RAND & LIPSETT are now prepared to sell property in all parts of the townsite at Coal Harbor. *

THE Amelia went on to Nanaimo on Monday, in spite of the gale, and returned on time last night.

THE steamer Enterprise rode out the gale of Monday in Cadboro Bay.

### Death of a Drummer.

The body of Moses Solomon, the deceased drummer, was brought to this city yesterday from Albany. In accordance with telegraphic instructions the remains will be sent to San Francisco by the next steamer, in the care of an old friend. The wife, son and daughter of the deceased live in San Francisco. It was learned that Mr. Solomon arrived from the south at Albany at 5 o'clock on Tuesday last. In company with several other passengers he started to walk through the deep snow to the Revere House, but becoming exhausted he returned with those with him to the depot. Waiting a few moments he again started out a short distance behind the others. When he had reached the canal, in company with a gentleman from Halsey, whom he had hold of, he became completely exhausted, and, being left behind, went towards the house occupied by Mr. Dorris, but fell as he reached the steps. He was taken inside, but only breathed two or three times, when life became extinct. His body was then conveyed to the Revere House, where a coroner's jury was called, who found that his death was caused by exhaustion and heart disease. Mr. Solomon was well known throughout Oregon, as he has been traveling for many years here in the employ of Bessinger & Co.—*Portland News.*

A NOTED SOCIALIST COMING.—H. M. Hyndman, the celebrated English socialist leader, will visit San Francisco in March next. He will be accompanied by William Morris, the poet and author of "The Earthly Paradise." Mr. Hyndman is a wealthy man, with an income of £6,000 a year. He is proprietor of Justice, a weekly journal, and To-Day, a monthly publication. He is a constant contributor to the Contemporary and Edinburgh Reviews. He proposes to canvass the whole United States in the interest of socialism, delivering lectures and holding meetings in conjunction with the various labor organizations. On the 18th of March an internationalist convention will be held in San Francisco, at whtch it is expected over three hundred delegates will be present.

FISGARD STREET ACADEMY.—In another column will be found an advertisement of Mr. Kaye, who, after the holidays, will open the above as a first-class school for the education of the youth of both sexes. From Mr. Kaye's long experience and well-known scholarly attainments we make no doubt he will met with the success he so well deserves. A school house has been especially built for the accommodation of Mr. Kaye's pupils. His enterprise and ability deserve encouragement.

WE have been shown some very pretty inkstands, new designs, by J. B. Ferguson & Co., the leading stationers of the city. *

For all kinds of BOOTS and SHOES go to the B. C. Boot and Shoe Store, Government street. H. MANSELL. *

### Over-Study.

An English court recently rendered a very wise decision, and it would be well if such a course were pursued in this country. It prohibited teachers in schools from assigning children lessons to be learned at home. The opinion was expressed that it was neither good policy nor wise culture to force them to study during the hours of freedom from school restraints; it was taxing the brain to a greater extent than was consistent with the laws of health. In the United States the very worst consequences have resulted from over-study. It has been the frequent cause of insanity. A child of a bright, active mind, ambitious to excel, when placed at school is frequently treated by teachers as though it was to be forced forward like a plant in a hothouse. Stimulated by feverish excitement, the mental strain often proves too great for the body. Brilliant scholarship, premature in its attainment, does not pay for ruined health and shattered constitutions. The saying of the ancients, "A sound mind in a sound body," is the proper rule, and should be the basis of teaching. In our educational institutions there are too many studies crowded together and too many hours devoted to them. There should be more relaxation and outdoor, healthful play.

Highly intelligent people who have given this matter of education of children thoughful consideration, are many of them, publicly, stating as their convictions, that it would be far better if children, after their arrival at a certain age, were only permittrd to go to school six months in the year—the other portion being devoted to outside work or recreation; that in this manner boys could learn useful trades and girls could acquire accomplishments or pursuits which would enable them, if necessary, as it is to the vast majority, to earn their own livelihood at once, after the completion of their school studies. They would not be thrown upon the world at graduation perfectly helpless, educated in all the "ologies" and knowing little or nothing of the practical affairs of life. Besides which it is held that by thus alternating study and work, the child has a healthier mind, and learing slowly and surely, becomes in the end a far better scholar. Our pulic school system with all of its immense advantages affording the means of education to the poor as well as to the rich, is yet capablb of much improvement in the matter of greater attention to the health of the pupils. The children should leave their books in the schoolhouse instead of taking them home to study at night. Neither parents nor teachers should allow this. They should give no attention to their studies until they returned the next day and took their books out of their desks. The hours of school are all in which they should be allowed to study. The time is quite sufficient. Beyond it, is trenching on health.


### A Good Piano Makes a Home Cheerful

And is a constant source of pleasure. An inspection of our large stock is respectfully solicited, consisting of the following celebrated makers: Decker Bros., J. & C. Fischer, Collard & Collard, Hemme & Long, We also have the beautiful voiced Organs of the Mason & Hamlin Organ Co., B. Shonenger Organ Co. and Dominion Organ Co. M. W. WAITT & CO., Government street.

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### The Oregon Short Line

Have tickets on sale to all points in the United States at the Ash street wharf Portland, A. L. Maxwell, ticket agent. Trains leave Portland daily at 5:30 p. m. and B. Campball, general agent, No. 1 Washington street, Portland, will mail maps, time tables and guides free to any address upon application. When going to any point East this is decidedly the best line to take because rates are always the lowest going. Pullman and emigrant sleepers with free berths are hauled the entire length of the line on express trains. The route does not run through a cold country, as a glance at the map will show you. It is the only line provided with sheds as a protection against snow. There is no change of cars between Portland and Omaha or Kansas City. You have privilege of going through Denver if desired and the connections with Eastern lines number more than 20 which are all made in Union Depots, affording a more direct route to all eastern points than any other line, besides it is several hundred miles the shortest and more than a day the quickest to all points east. dw1m

BEAUTIFUL HAIR is one of the most striking and pleasing characteristics and can easily be obtained byusing Cingalese Hair Renewer. Price cents per bottle. For sale by all druggests. dw1y

FOR LIVER COMPLAINT.—Take a teaspoonful of Perry Davis' Pain-Killer in sugar and water three times a day, bathing the side and between the shoulders with the medicine at least twice a day, rubbing it in well. 19

### AUCTION SALES.

THIS DAY.

G. BYRNES,
AUCTIONEER.

# AUCTION.

## Fancy GOODS

To Close Consignments,
NO RESERVE.

On Wednesday, 24th Dec'r,
AT 1 O'CLOCK, P. M.,
At my salesroom, Langley and Fort Sts.

Papiermache Glove, Perfume and Work Boxes, Leather Jewel Boxes, Albums, Velvet Picture Frames, Work Baskets, Chess Sets and Boards, Glass Vases and Jewel Boxes, Card Receivers, Scrap Bks, Sets of Gold Jewelry and Earrings (15 carats fine), Fancy Dressing Cases, Brush and Comb Stands, Odor Cases, Inkstands, Glove and Handkf Boxes, Plush Jewel Cases, Cabinets, Curling and Lawn Tennis Sets, and a large assortment of

FANCY ORNAMENTS

Too numerous to mention.

G. BYRNES,
de23 Auctioneer.

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— OF —

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THE SALE OF LOTS IN

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Advertised to be sold by me TO-DAY,

IS POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

G. BYRNES,
Auctioneer.
Dec. 3d, 1884. de4


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## PETER COOPER'S INSTITUTION.

### The Huge Six-Story Building with Its Schools and Reading-Room.

["Gath" in Cincinnati Enquirer.]

Right opposite the Bible house in New York City is Peter Cooper's institution, which to my mind marks the period when religious and philanthropic institutions began to yield to the rising philanthropy and faith called science. Science, in the nature of things, is either in revolt against sectarianism or proceeds without the least reference to religious systems. The whole essence of science is to investigate and report the results. The general tendency of religion has been to be jealous of these results lest they might not have been traditional. Science becomes more concerned in the external health of man than in his spiritual or soul relation. The Cooper institute is a huge six-story brown-stone building, to which large attics have been recently added. It cost $500,000 Its founder was an old blacksmith, locomotive builder and money getter, who thought the laboring people ought to understand art and science.

So he designed this building to be self-supporting and under it he put a huge hall, where Abraham Lincoln and most of the great men of our time have spoken. This hall is in the basement and is therefore eminently safe. All over the building are other halls for lectures, and it has a magnificent reading-room.

The Cooper institute has a rent roll of nearly $50,000 a year. Thirty thousand people come every year to read its newspapers. It has a school of design for girls and women with a daily attendance of about 100; half a hundred more attend its school of engraving. Its school of science is attended by about 300 persons, its art school by 700, its telegraph school by fifty, and there are nearly 600 persons attending its scientific lectures distributed all over the house. The interest Peter Cooper showed in the poor had a great deal to do with electing his son mayor of New York. Before he died Peter Cooper was an advocate of National Greenback money and accepted a nomination for president on that and the Labor ticket.

### A Costly War Vessel.

[London Truth.]

What has become of H. M. S. Thunderer? The country has certainly not had much value for its money out of this vessel, which cost close on 500,000 pounds sterling including 300,000 pounds sterling for construction and 140,000 pounds sterling odd for repairs. She was launched in March, 1872, at Pembroke dockyard, but was not commissioned until August, 1876. It was on her trial trip at the measured mile, in this month that one of her boilers burst, killing between forty and fifty of her crew and wounding more than twice that number. She thereupon returned into dock for six months. After being at sea with the Mediterranean squadron for rather less than two years, in January, 1879, one of her 38-ton guns burst in the after-turret while at practice, killing six and wounding thirty-two officers and men.

Since that time, however, this magnificent iron-clad, one of the most powerful afloat, has been lying up in the Malta harbor, with her crew transferred to the port admiral's flag-ship. It is surely a scandalous—nay, more, a criminal—waste of public property and money, to be constantly laying down and estimating for new warships, while a vessel, able with its sister ships the Devastation and Dreadnaught to sink any six vessels in any navy, is left to rust and rot simply because sailors have a prejudice against her and look upon her as an "unlucky ship."

### Dressed in Rat-Skins.

[Chicago Times.]

An ingenious inhabitant of Liskeard, Cornwall, exhibits himself in a dress composed of rat-skins, which he was collecting for three years and a half. He made the dress entirely himself, consisting of hat, neckerchief, coat, trousers, cape, gaiters and shoes. The number of rats required to complete the suit was 670, and the person when thus dressed appears exactly like one of the Esquimaux as described by Ross. The cape is composed of the pieces of skins immediately around the tails, containing about 600 tails. A lady of Glasgow had a pair of shoes of exquisite workmanship, the upper part of which were made of the skins of rats. The leather was exceedingly smooth, and as soft as the finest kid, and appeared stout and firm. It took no less than six skins to make the pair of shoes, as the back of the skin is the only part strong enough for use.

### An Actor Who Doesn't Swear.

[Chicago News.]

"No," said a young actor who had been talking to a little group of companions and using a good many oaths in his conversation, "no, all people who play are not profane At least I know one actor who doesn't swear. He is George C. Miln, the ex-preacher. I played third witch in "Macbeth" in his company one night in St. Paul. Burleigh played Macbeth and Miln played Macduff. When we witches went on in the caldron scene we were all fixed up in first-class style, and we did the whole business as nice as any three witches ever did it. But when it came time for the caldron to sink into the earth the trap-door stuck fast, and the old soap kettle tipped over sidewise and spilled all the torpedoes, and green fire and things all over the floor. The stage got into a blaze, somebody shouted 'Fire!' and the audience began to get frightened.

"Burleigh stood in the wings, swearing like a trooper, but Miln just stood around, looking mad, and saying 'Oh, dear!' I got to laughing and so did the other witches. Somebody turned on the gas and showed the whole thing to the audience. The audience yelled with laughter, and Burleigh swore worse than ever, but Miln didn't do any swearing. Then another time in Kansas City I was playing the secretary to Miln's Richelieu. I dressed for the part in a hurry and didn't take time to put on stage shoes. I had on a long robe and thought I was all right. So I advanced to the front of the stage, struck an attitude, and began to look as picturesque as I could. Richelieu was in the middle of a long speech when some fellow in the gallery yelled out; 'Get onto his nobs in light-topped shoes!' That broke the audience up and spoiled the speech. But Miln didn't swear any—he only looked mad. Any other actor would have sworn under his breath for five minutes."

### Theosophy.

[Foreign Letter.]

The subject of theosophy has, according to the Calcutta correspondent of The London Times, occupied a large share of the attention of the Indian press and public recently. It has been brought prominently forward by the publication in The Madras Christian College Magazine of a correspondence alleged to have passed between Mme. Blavatsky and a Monsieur and Mme. Coulomb, who appear to have been followers of her, but who, having fallen out with the sect, have placed the letters in the hands of the editor of the magazine. These letters, if genuine, certainly prove Mme. Blavatsky to be a consummate impostor, who, with the help of Coulomb, imposed upon the credulous by ingenious trickery. The so-called astral body of the Tibetan Mahatma Kool Huml is described as a crafty arrangement of bladders, muslin, and a mask, and the wonder-working shrine at Madras, the conjurer's cabinet. Taxed to be a mere dignantly declare the letter-sosophists indent forgeries, and state that the impu- were expelled from the society malomba taken this means to revenge themselvavo

## SEAL CATCHING.

### The Alaska Company's Contract.

The contracts held by the Alaska company with the government of the United States and with the Russia give it the sole right to kill seals around St. Paul and St. George's islands, and around Copper island, Behring island and Robin island. The natives (the Aleutes, who are a mixture of Japanese, Chinese, Russian and Indian blood,) alone are permitted to kill the seals. They drive the seals up a short distance on the land, into what are called "rookeries" and go among them and kill them by striking them on the head with a club. The seal's head is very soft, and one blow is sufficient. It is lawful only to kill the male seals. Their heads are slightly larger than the heads of the females, the hair is not quite so fine and the fur just back of the head is darker in color. The seals from three to four years of age have the best skins, and it requires perfect familiarity with all of a seal's characteristics, and great discretion on the part of the hunter, to make an advantageous selection. The rule of killing only the males has resulted in the fact that more seals come to the islands above mentioned now than fifteen years ago. The weather up there is warm during the summer, and the killing must be done on a cool day or else the skins will spoil, and the entire campaign, which is begun in the early part of August, lasts only a few weeks. After the killing is done the seal must be skinned quickly. There is no time to be lost. The whole skin is used. The celerity with which the natives perform this operation is remarkable. The skins are thoroughly salted and piled up to cure. If a single spot is left unsalted it will spoil the the skin. They are left in piles about weeks. When the salt has permeated all the leather the skins are tied up in pairs, with the skin side in, and sent to San Francisco, where they are packed in barrels and shipped to London, the center of the sealskin trade. There they are opened and sorted in 100 and 150 lots, and put up at auction, for sale to the fur trade of the world. Twice a year, in November and March, representative furriers of all nations are on hand at these immense sales of raw skins. The skins bought one year are for the next year's use, for it takes six or seven months to prepare them for the retail trade. The raw skins bring at auction on an average from $15 to $25 each.

The twenty-year contract of the Alaska Commercial company with the United States government for the privilege of taking seals in Alaskan waters expires in 1890. The officers of the company in San Francisco calculate that the sum paid into the United States treasury under this contract will in 1890, amount to more than $7,000,000, the sum paid to Russia for the purchase of Alaska. Future estimates are based on past payments. The contract with the United States stipulates that the company shall not take more than 100,000 seals per annum. The contract with Russia gives greater margin than seal catching operations. In fact, the principal condition of the contract is that the company shall take at least 5000 seals annually. There is no clause prohibiting the catch of a greater number, so the company is at liberty to take all they can catch. The Russian contract expires in 1891, one year after the expiration of the contract with the United States. The company which controls the main source of supply endavors to catch about as many seals as the market will stand without seriously depressing the value of the goods.

## SCENE IN THE FRENCH CHAMBER.

### The Lie Courteous and the Lie Direct.

A rather lively incident occurred at Tuesday's sitting. M. Daynaud, a Deputy of the Right, having declared that M. Ferry had made a statement to the effect that it would be necessary to have recourse to fresh methods of taxation in 1886, the Premier emphatically denied that he had said anything of the sort. M. Daynaud then quoted an article from the Journal des Debats containing these words: "M. Ferry has made no secret of the fact that new taxes will be needed in 1886."

M. Ferry—It is absolutely inexact. I spoke of the rectification of taxes. These are old women's politics.

M Daynaud—To whom do you address that expression?

M. Ferry—To those who engage in such politics.

M. Daynaud—And I say that your policy is one of falsehood. (Uproar, and cries of "Order!")

The President pointed out to M Daynaud that speakers in the Parliamentary tribune should draw their argument from other sources than from newspaper articles.

M. Ferry—We must be very short of of arguments to have recourse to such proceedings.

Subsequently M. Daynaud said: "Your public funds have fallen 9f. The shares of the Bank of France have dropped 824f., and those of the Credit Foncier 400f."

M. Jules Roche—And the Union Generale shares! How much have they gone down?

M. Daynaud—When the Tyndic's report is presented, I will let you know.

M. de Cassagnac (addressing M. Roche)—And the Alais au Rhone shares! Speak to us of M. Cazot, or of MM. Poulet and Bouchet. (Applause on the Right; indignant protests on the Left.)

M. Jules Roche, having replied to various critics of the financial policy of the Government, the debate was adjourned.—Paris American Register Nov. 22d.

## MUNICIPAL.

### REQUISITION.

TO R. P RITHET, ESQ.,

SIR,—WE, THE UNDERSIGNED RATEPAYERS of Victoria, having confidence in your ability and fitness for the position, request your permission to place you in nomination as Mayor for the ensuing year, and we pledge ourselves to use our best endeavors to secure your Election

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| John Ash | John Partridge |
| Redon & Hartnagel | L Goodacre |
| Wm Wilson | Dixie H Ross |
| W Heathorn | E C Neufelder |
| Joshua Davies | J C Bales |
| S J Pitts | C W R Thomson |
| E A McQuade | H Bornstein |
| William Charles | Simon Leiser |
| Matthew T Johnston | James Burnes |
| James S Raymur | John Crowther |
| T Labbe | D E Campbell |
| Alex Munro | E Muschamp |
| W J Jeffree | A A Green |
| Robert Elder | Geo W Haynes |
| H Saunders | H L Jones |
| J D Warren | J H Todd |
| Jesse Brown | Joseph Wilson |
| E Metcalf | J Nicholles |
| J Gutman | R Lipsett |
| James Larman | Wm McKeon |
| H J Hartnell | H D Saunders |
| James Johns | Lewis Lewis |
| George Steitz | Jas Crawford |
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| Wm G Lange | A Ofner |
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| M W Waitt | C T Todd |
| H Brown | John Grant |
| Hy Young | W G Pinder |
| Jas Hutcheson | Chas E Redfern |
| Edward White | D M Eberts |
| James A Fraser | M W Tyrwhitt Drake |
| Francis Page | D W Higgins |
| P T Johnston | Thos D Nuttall |
| M Gallick | R Finlayson |
| J D Nesbitt | Jas A Graham |
| Edgar Marvin | A W Jones |
| C Morton | Robt Ward |
| F Adams | H F Heisterman |
| Alex B Gray | Henry E Crossdaile |
| R B Thompson | W W Malachi |
| Wm Wilson | W B Smallfield |
| J Roland Hett | J KeithWilson |
| W D M-Killican | H Rhodes |
| Wm Hammond | T Allsop |
| A J Smith | Frank S Barnard |
| D R Harris | J E Matthews |
| T S Hibben | Henry Short |
| J Finlayson | H Waller |
| Wm Denny | A McLean |
| Thos Carrington | A G Francis |
| R Dunsmuir | Morrice Rose |
| Jos Hunter | A P Briggs |
| C E Perry | J Laddell |
| M G Staples | C Dawson |
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| Wm T Drake | J C Flett |
| Robt E Jackson | James Flett |
| Wm C Ward | Paul Strable |
| Chas S Jones | J C Leask |
| Geo Cruickshank | M R Robbins |
| J Heywood | T S Styles |
| Geo Gillespie | W Jenson |

*To the Ratepayers signing above Requisition:*

GENTLEMEN,—I HAVE TO THANK YOU FOR your requisition to allow myself to be nominated for Mayor at the approaching election. The large number of names which represent all classes of the community had induced me to comply with the request, and in doing so I consider it to be part of my duty to express my views briefly upon the more important questions which are likely to engage the attention of the Municipal Council during the coming year.

The most important to my mind is the drainage of the city. I am strongly in favor of immediate steps being taken to accomplish this and will advocate and support the most efficient and economical scheme which may be submitted.

I am in favor of an equitable revision of the Assessment Roll

I consider the Electric Light as at present supplied altogether inadequate, and will further any reform in this connection, which may be considered necessary for a more efficient lighting of the city.

I will assist whatever well considered measure may be submitted for the improvement of the water supply.

If elected, I shall always endeavor to promote the best interests of the city generally.

I am, gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
R. P. RITHET.

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### REQUISITION.

TO MESSRS. THOMAS EARLE, JOHN BRADEN AND JOHN GRANT

GENTLEMEN—We, the undersigned ratepayers of Victoria, request your permission to nominate you as Councillors, to serve for Yates Street Ward during the coming year.

There is a prevailing feeling that the coming Council should be composed of men of business capacity, capable of dealing with important issues, and we feel assured that the majority of ratepayers have confidence in your ability, public spirit and fitness for the position.

Should you be pleased to accept our nomination we will use our best exertions to return you.

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| Simon Leiser | S J Pitts |
| Wm K Loughton | Wm Curow |
| J H Turner | Robt Elder |
| R S Byrn | H Saunders |
| E A Mcquade | J D Warren |
| Robt Ward | Jesse Brown |
| E McIvaile | Jas L Raymur |
| J Gutmann | James Larman |
| T Labbe | Alex Munro |
| H J Hartnell | John J Hart |
| Matthew T Johnston | W J Jeffree |
| D E Campbell | J Fullerton |
| Jas Johns | F T Johnson |
| John Partridge | R W Savage |
| John Crowther | W Heathorn |
| E C Neufelder | Wm Wilson |
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| J C Bales | C W N Thompson |
| Redon & Hartnagel | Geo W Haynes |
| M Gatzes | H F Heisterman |
| S D Nesbitt | H L Jones |
| J W Todd | Edgar Marvin |
| Jos Wilson | F Adams |
| A A Green | A B Gray |
| Jno Nicholles | A J Langley |
| R Lipsett | A Lewis |
| Wm McKeon | Wm Wilson |
| H D Saunders | H Bornstein |
| Lewis Lewis | Wm Crawford |
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| D Green | T H Tye |
| Thos Geiger | T Baumann |
| T F Becker | W Shears |
| M W Waitt | Frank S Barnard |
| H Brown | Wm Anderson |
| Hy Young, per J H | B Van Volkenburgh |
| Jas Hutcheson | C P Todd |
| Wm G Lange, jr | Edward White |
| Wm Denny | Jas A Fraser |
| E Muschamp | Jas Dougherty, jr |
| Frank Norris | J A T Caton |
| Wm Charles | J Isaacs |

REPLY.

TO THE RATEPAYERS WHO SIGNED THE ABOVE REQUISITION:

GENTLEMEN A duty that all owe to the community in which they reside, induces us to comply with your request.

We will, if elected, use our endeavors to promote the best interests of the city, and also give the many important issues which will necessarily come before the Council our most earnest consideration and assistance, notably, a system of sewerage, efficient yet economical, revision of the assessment roll, so that it may be equitable, improvement of the water supply, better lighting of the city, etc., etc.

Thanking you for your expressed confidence, we are, gentlemen, yours respectfully,

THOS. EARLE,
JOHN BRADEN,
JOHN GRANT.

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### Councillors Johnson St. Ward.

TO MESSRS. R. W. PEARSE, W. MCKAY, ORLANDO WARNER.

GENTLEMEN—WE, THE UNDERSIGNED RATEpayers of Victoria, request your permission to nominate you as Councillors for Johnson Street Ward for the ensuing year.

There is a prevailing feeling that the coming Council should be composed of men of business capacity capable of dealing with important issues, and we feel assured that the majority of ratepayers have confidence in your ability, public spirit and fitness for the position. Should you be pleased to accept our nomination, we will use our best exertions to return you

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| E Finlayson | William J Stephens |
| A J Langley | John Work |
| H L Jones | C T Penwill |
| T H Tye | H Brown |
| J H Todd | Andrew Gray |
| J H Turner | H Harold |
| Thos F Wilson | Wm Wyllie |
| Chas W Wilson | Thos Pearson |
| H F Heisterman | J Mayden |
| Henry Radge | E C Sheppard |
| John Dooley | H A Clappezzoul |
| J W Griffiths | Wm Denny |
| W Allen | And 43 others. |

REPLY.

VICTORIA, 20th Dec, 1884.

TO MESSRS. FINLAYSON, LANGLEY, and others.

GENTLEMEN:—WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVing been asked to allow ourselves to be put in nomination as Councillors for Johnson Street Ward, beg to say that we are willing to stand as Councillors for this Ward for the coming year, and if elected we pledge ourselves to do everything in our power to promote the best interests of the city.

We remain yours obediently,
R. W. PEARSE,
WILLIAM McKAY,
ORLANDO WARNER.

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### NOTICE.

AN APPLICATION WILL BE MADE BY THE undersigned to the Bench of Licensing Magistrates for Victoria City, at their next meeting, for a license to sell wines, spirits, beer, &c., by retail at the Albion Hotel, Herald street, Victoria.

JOHN WILSON.

Victoria, Nov. 28th, 1884. no29 2w

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| Comox | ..... | ..... | 7 A. M. | ..... | ..... | |

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| FROM VICTORIA FOR | MONDAY. | TUESDAY. | WEDNESDAY. | THURSDAY. | FRIDAY. | SATURDA |
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| Plumper Pass | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7 A. M. | ..... |
| Granville, Moodyville, Pt Moody | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 7 A. M. | ..... |

NOTE—Freight for Hope, Yale and Points in the Interior must be shipped via Port Hammond and Shippers are requested to mark weight on each package.
No freight will be received after 5 p.m.

JNO. IRVING, Manager. de7tf

## NOTICES.

### NOTICE.

WE HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT WE INtend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase a small Island, containing 4 acres of land, in Shoal Bay, opposite Section 16

HENRY BRACKMAN
DAVID R. KER.

North Saanich, B.C., Sept. 29th, 1884. oct

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I INTEND to make application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to purchase 160 acres of land on Graham Island, queen Charlotte group, described as follows: From the N.E post of Lot 7, Group 1, 92.50 chains south to the S. E. post of Lot 7, Group 1; thence east, 1800; thence north to the N. W. post of J. M. L. Alexander's pre-emption; thence westerly to the original starting point.

FOREMONT E. SHEARBURN.

9th October, 1884. oct8 2m

### NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I INTEND MAKING application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 640 acres (more or less) of pastoral land situat d in the Osoyoos District and described as follows:—

Commencing at a stake near Johnson Creek, in the west side of Rock Creek, marked "H.N 's N.W. corner," thence running S.E. about 1½ miles; thence S. W. ½ mile; thence N.W. 1½ miles; thence N.E ½ mile, to point of commencement.

HENRY NICHOLSON.

Victoria River, B.C., Aug. 28th, 1884. se24

### NOTICE.

In the Estate of ELIZABETH DRUMMOND, Deceased.

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE ABOVE estate are required to pay the amounts due forthwith; and all persons who have any claims against the said estate are required to forward the same to Mr. THOMAS RUSSELL, one of the executors of the said deceased, or to

MESSRS. DAVIE & POOLEY,
Solicitors to the Executors.

Dated 24th Nov., 1884. no26 1m

### NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I INTEND TO APPLY to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to lease one thousand acres of land on the east bank of the Homalko River, designated by the surveyor's stakes and lines to be seen on the ground.

WM. P. SAYWARD.

Nov. 20th, 1884. de2 1m

### NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED IS PREPARED TO STORE, Ferry and

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### REQUISITION.

TO MESSRS. ROBERT WARD, A. J. SMITH, W. D. MCKILLICAN:

GENTLEMEN:—WE, THE UNDERSIGNED Ratepayers of Victoria, request your permission to nominate you as Councillors to serve for James Bay Ward during the coming year.

There is a prevailing feeling that the coming Council should be composed of men of business capacity capable of dealing with important issues, and we feel assured that the majority of ratepayers have confidence in your ability, public spirit and fitness for the position.

Should you be pleased to accept our nomination we will use our best exertions to return you.

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| A McLean, | Chas E Redfern, |
| J E Matthews, | H Brown, |
| M W T Drake, | J A Fraser, |
| A W Jones, | Walter Shears, |
| W C Ward, | R Dunsmuir, |
| T S Hibben, | Thos Carrington, |
| D M Eberts, | M G Staples, |
| Jno Ash, | Jos Hunter, |
| D R Harris, | A K Munro, |
| W H Bone, | R E Jackson, |
| Wm Wilson, | G H Barns, |
| J Finlayson, | W G Pinder, |
| T Allsop, | Wm Hammond, |
| Chas E Jones, | Wm Pimbury, |
| A A Green, | H G Lewis, |
| F R Brown, | C E Perry, |
| S J Pitts, | D W Higgins, |
| Geo Cruickshank, | F S Barnard, |
| H E Crossdaile, | Geo Gillespie, |
| J C Flett, | M R Smith, |
| J Keith Wilson, | E Mallandaine, |
| James Flett, | Thos Harding, |
| J C Welsh, | W J Pendry, |
| E B Irving, | Andrew Gray, |
| Jos Sommers, | G M Irving, |
| T L Irving, | P T Johnson, |
| Henry Young, | James Hutchinson. |

TO THE RATEPAYERS SIGNING THE ABOVE REQUISITION:

GENTLEMEN: IN REPLY TO YOUR NUMEROusly signed Requisition asking us to accept your nomination as Councillors for James Bay Ward, we have much pleasure in acceding to it.

There will doubtless be many important matters to engage the attention of the new Council, the question of drainage being one of the most prominent among them.

We shall give our earnest attention and support, to the consideration of a well devised system of sewerage, combined with efficiency and economy.

We consider the means at present adopted for lighting the city are most inadequate, and we shall give our attention towards an improvement in this connection.

As we are of opinion that the Revenue of the city can be considerably augmented by a revision of the Assessment Roll, we shall advocate a re-adjustment of it at an early date.

The inefficient water supply in various parts of the city is, in our opinion, a matter which demands urgent attention.

If elected we shall support any measure brought forward tending to promote the good government of the city generally.

ROBT. WARD,
A. J. SMITH,
W. D. McKILLICAN.

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## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

### PRIVATE BILLS.

ALL APPLICATIONS FOR PRIVATE BILLS, properly the subject of legislation by the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, within the purview of the "British North American Act, 1867," whether for the erection of a Bridge, the making of a Railroad, Turnpike Road, or Telegraph Line; the construction or improvement of a Harbour, Canal, Lock, Dam or Slide, or other like work; the granting of a right of Ferry; the incorporation of any particular trade or calling, or of any Joint Stock Company; or otherwise for granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties, or relate to any particular class of the community; or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former Act shall require a Notice, clearly and distinctly specifying the nature and object of the application to be published as follows:—

A notice inserted in the BRITISH COLUMBIA GAZETTE and in one newspaper published in the District affected, or if there be no newspaper published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest District in which a newspaper is published.

Such notice shall be continued in each case for a period of at least six weeks, during the interval of time between the close of the next preceding Session and the consideration of the Petition.

Before any petition, praying for leave to bring in a Private Bill for the erection of a Toll Bridge is presented to the House, the person or persons intending to petition for such a Bill shall, upon giving the notice prescribed by the preceding rule, also at the same time and in the same manner, give notice of the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of rafts and vessels, and mentioning also whether they intend to erect a drawbridge or not, and the dimensions of the same.

THORNTON FELL,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

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[L. S.] CLEMENT F. CORNWALL.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province, of British Columbia, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, on Wednesday, the Twenty-fourth day of December instant, to have been commenced and held, and every of you—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

ALEX. E. B. DAVIE, Attorney-General } WHEREAS THE MEETing of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of British Columbia stands called for Wednesday, 24th day of December instant, at which time, at Our City of Victoria, you were held and constrained to appear.

NOW KNOW YE that, for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid; hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on MONDAY, the TWELFTH day of the month of JANUARY next, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of British Columbia to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, the Honorable CLEMENT F. CORNWALL, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this sixth day of December in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four and in the forty-eighth year of Our Reign.

By Command.

T. ELWYN,
de7td Deputy Provincial Secretary.

## PRIVATE BILLS.

### NOTICE.

THE TIME LIMITED FOR RECEIVING PETItions for Private Bills will expire on the Second day of February, 1885.

THORNTON FELL,
de21 Clerk Leg. Assembly.

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### NOTICE.

SALE OF LOTS IN OSOYOOS DIST.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE LOTS Into which the Government Reserve at Spallumcheen Landing has been divided, now designated Belvidere, will be offered for sale at public auction at the office of Walter Dewdney, Esq., Government Agent, Spallumcheen, at noon, on Saturday, 14th February.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B.C., Dec. 17th, 1884 de19

### ASSESSMENT ACT.

COURT OF REVISION AND APPEAL FOR THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF VICTORIA CITY, VICTORIA AND ESQUIMALT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE COURT will sit as follows:

For the Electoral District of Victoria City—At the Legislative Hall, James' Bay, on Monday, the 15th, and Tuesday, the 16th day of December, 1884, at 11 o'clock a. m.

For the Electoral District of Victoria—At the "Royal Oak," on Monday, the 8th day of December, 1884, at 11 o'clock a. m.; and at Henry Simpson's, South Saanich, on Wednesday, the 10th day of December, 1884, at 12 o'clock noon.

For the Electoral District of Esquimalt—At Henry Price's, Parson's Bridge, on Friday, the 12th day of December, 1884, at 12 o'clock noon

Dated at Victoria this 12th day of November, 1884.

S. PERRY MILLS,
Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.

### EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE ESTATE of the late W. J. Stephens, trader, of Fort Wrangel, are requested to pay their indebtedness by the 15th of January next; and all those having claims against said estate must present them by that date, as the estate will then be distributed.

de14 THOS. EARLE, Executor.

### NOTICE.

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LD. LOWENBERG

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## KOOTENAY DISTRICT.

RESERVATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ALL THE vacant bottom lands subject to overflow, which are situated at the mouth of Lardo Creek, at the northern end of Kootenay Lake, containing one thousand acres, more or less, are hereby reserved until further notice.

WM. SMITHE,
Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Dept.,
Victoria, B.C., Dec. 10th, 1884. de12 1m

## LD. LOWENBERG,

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